

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of Texas
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David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff

v.

\$14,914.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY,

Defendant in rem.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:10-cv-00965

**VERIFIED CLAIM AND STATEMENT OF INTEREST UNDER RULE G OF THE
SUPPLEMENTAL RULES FOR ADMIRALTY OR MARITIME AND ASSET
FORFEITURE CLAIMS**

RAJAGOPALA PILLAI and KAMALA PILLAI (“Claimants”), by and through their attorney of record, submit this Verified Claim and Statement of Interest (“Claim”) in and to the above-referenced property that is the subject of this proceeding.

I.

Claimants timely file this Claim within thirty-five days from the date on which the Rule G Notice of Forfeiture and Complaint for Forfeiture In Rem (“Complaint”) was sent to Claimants.

II.

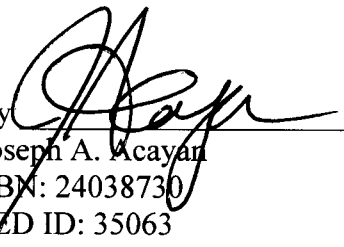
Claimants identify that the \$14,914.00 in U.S. Currency seized is their personal property, which was intended for the purchase of gifts for their son’s wedding and for personal travel expenses in India.

III.

Claimants herein make their Claim and Statement of Interest to the \$14,914.00 in U.S. Currency that was seized by agents of CBP on February 13, 2010 and that is the same United States Currency identified in the Notice of Complaint dated March 23, 2010.

Claimants' attorney signs this Claim on behalf of Claimants. Claimants provide the requisite Verifications attached to this Claim.

Respectfully submitted,
GIVENS & JOHNSTON, PLLC

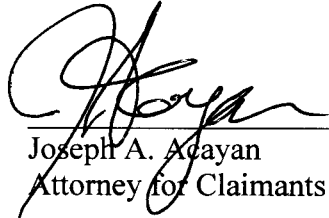
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Claimants' Claim and Statement of Interest was mailed to Albert Ratliff, Assistant United States Attorney, on the 21st day of April, 20 10, at:

Albert Ratliff
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U.S. Attorney's Office
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Joseph A. Acayan
Attorney for Claimants

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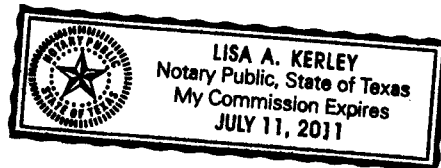
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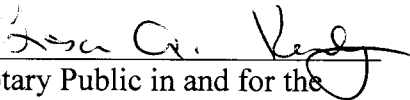
I, Kamala Pillai, Claimant, declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this Verified Claim, and the facts stated in this Claim are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Executed on this 19th day of April, 2010.


Kamala Pillai

SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me by Kamala Pillai on this 19th day of April, 2010 in Houston, Texas.




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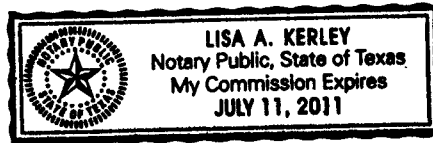
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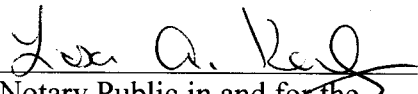
I, Rajagopala Pillai, Claimant, declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this Verified Claim, and the facts stated in this Claim are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Executed on this 19th day of April, 2010.


Rajagopala Pillai

SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me by Rajagopala Pillai on this 19th day of April, 2010 in Houston, Texas.




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